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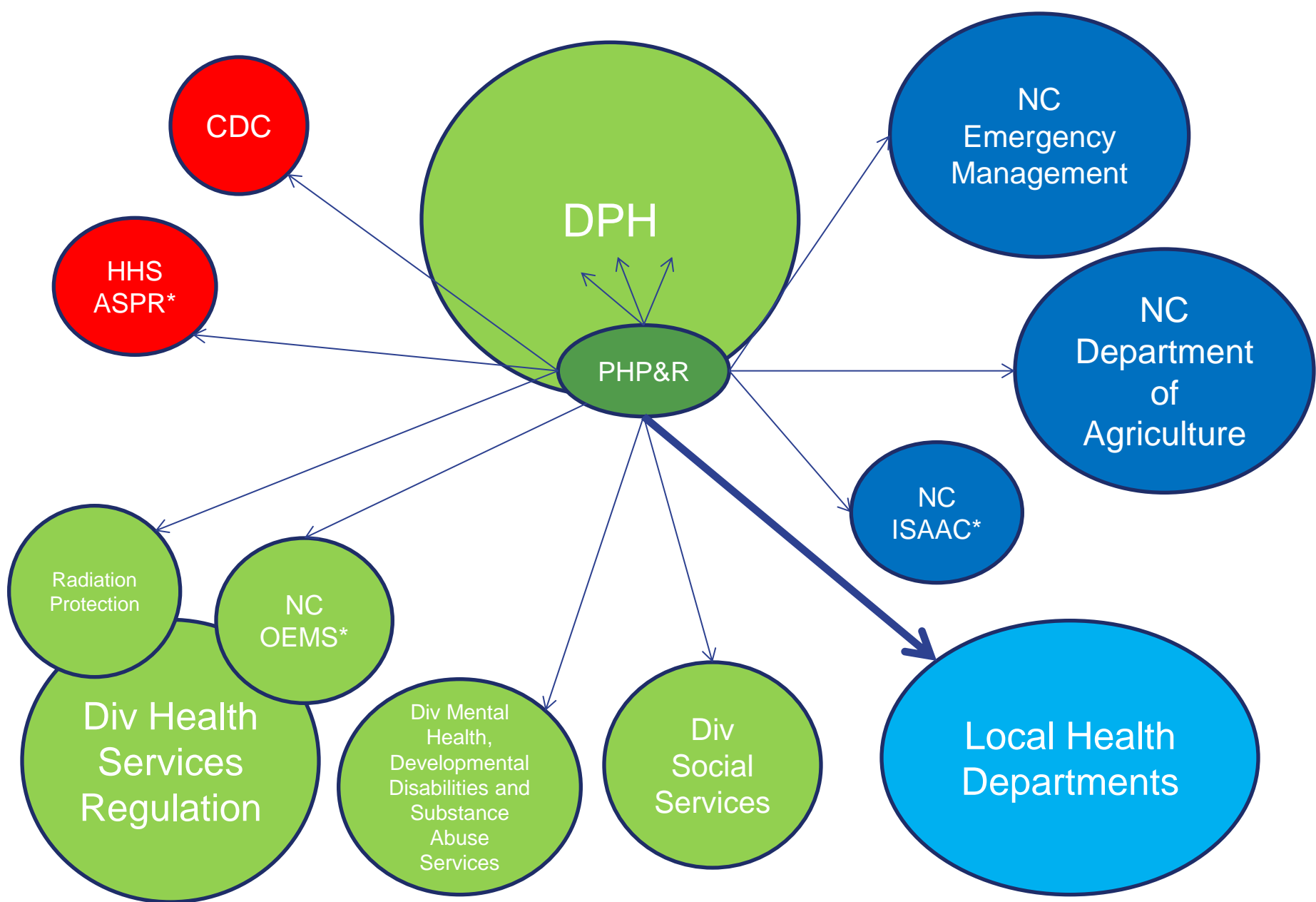
Public Health Preparedness for Contaminating Events

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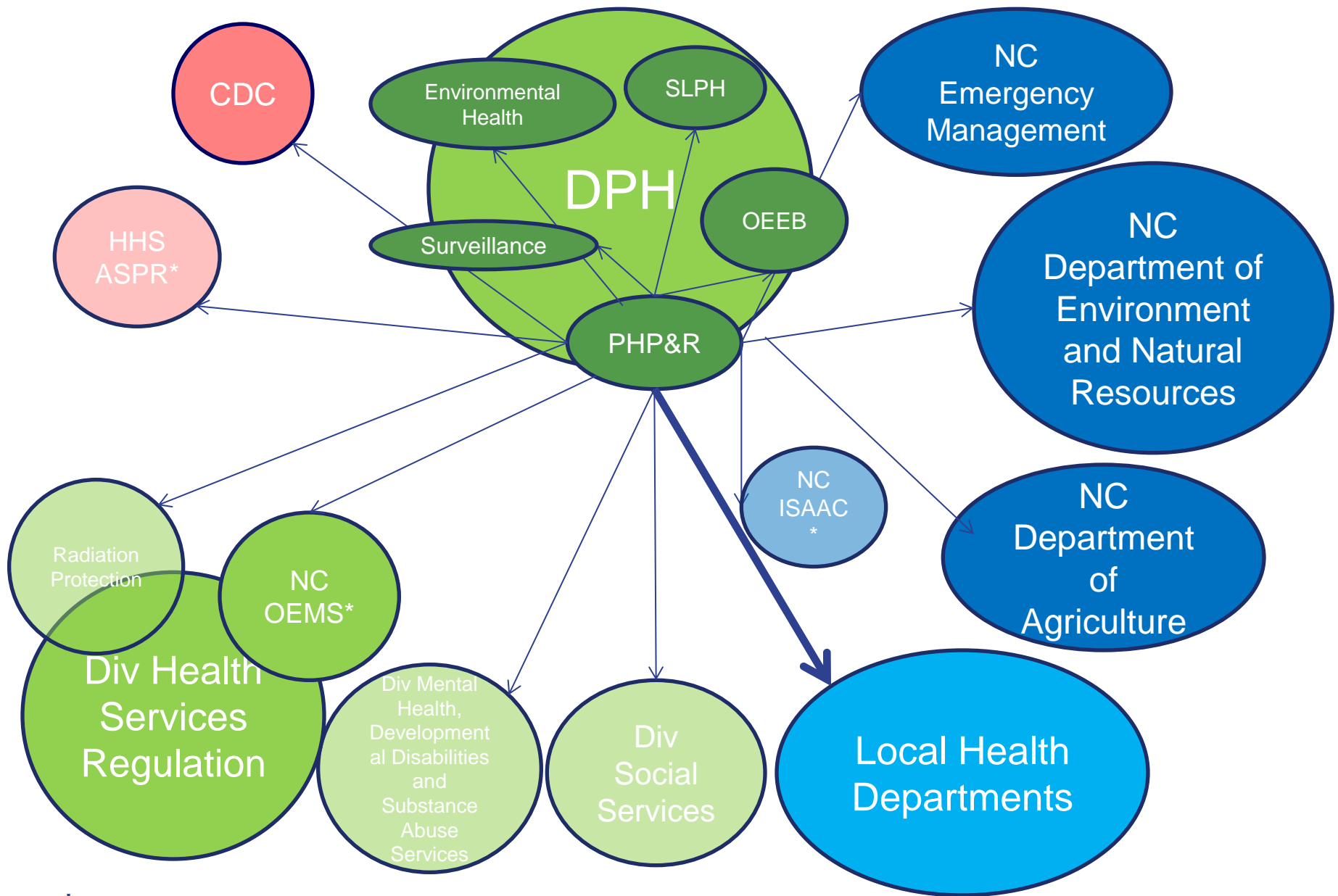
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- EQ Fire, Apex, Wake County
- Mercury spill on a school bus, Iredell County
- Dan River Incident, Eden, Rockingham County





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North Carolina Public Health Plan for Contaminating Events

- In Response to Events with a Potential for Chemical, Biological, or Radiological Contamination
- Result of provision in An Act to Improve the Oversight of Hazardous Waste Facilities, as Recommended by the Governor's Hazardous Materials Task Force. House Bill 36 Session 2007, Session Law 2007-107
- Latest version of plan completed in September 2013
 - Supports the SEOP with specific tasks for DPH



Roles of DPH

- Coordinates, collaborates, and communicates with federal, state, and local agencies as well as the public to prevent or reduce adverse health outcomes and risks
- Conducts human health surveillance,
- Conducts health risk assessments,
- Prepares and issues health advisories